

Weekly Review of Current Japanese Thought

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A friend sent the following in and it is published as an expression of Japanese thought:

A child comes home from school and asks his father in his innocent way: "Papa, is America going to beat Japan? They say so in school." The father is a loyal Japanese, but the son is born under the Stars and Stripes; to it he should be taught to be as loyal as his father is to the flag of the Rising Sun.

Had the father dared to give his son an affirmative answer he would have humiliated himself and his country in the eye of his son. Should he say "no," he would inculcate in the young brain of his son the seed of scorn for the country of his birth and made the child ashamed for being an American citizen.

The father told the son the story of Commodore Perry; how he helped Japan to open the country to the commerce of the world and how he led Japan to open schools and hospitals, to build railways and steamers. He told the boy about the teachers and missionaries who came to Japan to teach the people many good things.

He related to the boy how the American government was kind towards Japan and how the people of America were good to his countrymen and treated them as their brothers and sisters; how the Japanese learned from the American people about the right and liberty of the people; how in his young days he looked towards America as the country of liberty and of universal brotherhood where people treated each other alike and where men and women lived "with malice towards none, with charity for all."

The son was satisfied that the country in which he had been born and in which he is going to live and be a citizen, is a country of God—great and peaceful. He offered his prayer, laid his little head on the father's lap, and as the father writes the child smiles an angelic smile in his peaceful dreams.

Will it ever befall upon the boy that some day it will be his duty to fight against the country of his fathers?

The answer depends entirely upon whether the United States of America grows to be a "Greater" Columbia or as the "Higher" Columbia?

Mr. John Foster says in his work on American Foreign Policy: "We appeared to the Japanese as the one nation in whom they could place confidence, since we were devoid of political ambitions menacing their own." In another book he says to the effect that Japan is the country at whose development and civilization every American should be proud.

Japan is the first fair daughter of Anglo-Saxon civilization to be born in the Orient where millions of God's children still live in darkness and in paganism. If America does not take pride in this fair daughter of hers, who is now at her task of illuminating the continent of Asia with the light she has inherited from Mother Columbia, but tries to extinguish the light from the torch in her daughter's hand, America will cease to be the country of Christian enlightenment in the eyes of many Japanese people.

Dainty damsels of Nippon's land sing thus:

Saita sakura ni,
Naze koma tsunagi;
Koma ga isameba,
Hana ga chiru.

Why dost thou tie thy steer,
To the cherry tree full of blossom?
Grown restive and brisk, he
The fair blossoms scatters away.

If war should ever come between the father's country and the son's, the beautiful flower just blooming, the glory of the East and the pride of American civilization, may scatter away, as the thought of gratitude planted deep in our bosom may fade away.

America may then be a greater nation, but will she ever be the Higher Columbia in our estimation?

divisional officer. Sunday meetings in the hall: Knee drill 9 a. m., junior company meeting, 10 a. m., holiness meeting 11 a. m., young people's legion 6:15 p. m., salvation meetings, led by Major Willis, 7:50 p. m.

Sunday Church Services

Catholic Services.—Honolulu: Cathedral—Our Lady of Peace; 6 and 7 a. m. low masses with holy communion; Portuguese sermon; 9 a. m., children's mass with singing and English sermon; 10:30 a. m., high solemn mass with native sermon; 2 p. m., sodality meeting and benediction of the blessed sacrament; 7 p. m., Portuguese sermon and benediction of the blessed sacrament. During the week the masses at 6 and 7 a. m. First Friday of the month, 7 p. m., benediction of the blessed sacrament.

Waikiki—Saint Augustine on the beach; 9 a. m., mass with singing and English sermon.

Kalihi-waena—Saint John the Baptist; 8:30 a. m., high mass with sermon. Kalihi-uka—Our Lady of the Mount; 7 a. m., (first Sunday of the month); 9 a. m., (other Sundays), mass with singing and sermon.

Moanalua—Saint Joseph; 7 a. m., high mass with sermon.

Oahu Prison—1 p. m., Catholic service.

St. Andrew's Cathedral—Emma above Beretania. Celebration of the Holy Communion, 7 a. m. Hawaiian service at 9:15; Sunday school at 10 o'clock; Hawaiian Sunday school at 10:30 o'clock a. m., morning service at 11 o'clock; evening services at 7:30. Weekday services: Thursday, Holy Communion at 7 a. m., Friday evening prayer at 7:45 o'clock. Cathedral clergy: The Rt. Rev. Henry B. Restarick, Bishop of Honolulu; the Rev. Canon Ault, the Rev. Leopold Kroll.

St. Clement Church (Episcopal)—Corner Makiki street and Wilder avenue. Rev. Canon Osborne, rector. On Sundays Holy Communion at 7 a. m., except first Sunday of the month. Morning prayer and sermon, 11 o'clock; evening song, 7:30 o'clock. The service is choral. All seats free. Punahou cars pass the doors.

St. Elizabeth's Church (Episcopal)—King corner Pua lane. Potwine, 7 and 11 a. m.; 7:30 p. m.

Central Union Church—Beretania corner of Richards. Scudder; Bible school, 9:50 a. m., morning service and sermon by the pastor at 11 a. m. Christian Endeavor at 6:30 o'clock; evening service at 7:30 o'clock, sermon by the minister.

Methodist Church—Beretania and Miller. Rev. J. T. Jones; Sunday school at 10 a. m., morning worship at 11, sermon by the pastor. Epworth League at 6:30 p. m., evening service at 7:30.

Christian Church—McKee; Bible school at 9:45; Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30; morning worship at 11, sermon. Evening worship at 7:30 sermon.

German Lutheran Church—Beretania avenue, near Punchbowl. Felmy; 9:45, Sunday school; service, 11; evening service the last Sunday of each month at 7:30.

Kawaiahae Church—King and Kawaiahae. Parker, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Kaumakapili Church—Lono, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Portuguese Evangelical Church—Miller above Beretania. Soares; 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Reorganized Church of Latter Day Saints—King near Kapiolani. Waller, service morning and evening.

Seventh Day Adventists—Kinan St. Sunday school, 10 a. m., 11 a. m., morning service with sermon; evening service at 7:30 o'clock.

Chinese Church—Fort Street. Praise service, 7:30 p. m. special music, several addresses.

First Church of Christ, Scientist.—Fraternity hall, Odd Fellows' building, 11 a. m.

Salvation Army—10:30 a. m. and 6 and 8 p. m.

Seamen's Chapel—Alakea street, 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Holy Communion on fourth Sunday at 8:30 a. m. Rev. Canon Wm. Ault, chaplain.

The Salvation Army Hall—Corner King street and Nuuanu avenue, upstairs. Corps' officers, Adj. Minnie T. Bryant, in charge, Lieut. Edna V. Wilmore, assistant; Major John Willis,

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